



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor

John Hoeven
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2010-08

WHEREAS, I John Hoeven, Governor of the State of North Dakota, by the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim a spring storm emergency in North Dakota impacting much of North Dakota April 1-4, 2010; and

WHEREAS, this storm is producing significant rain and snow showers, heavy snow accumulations and wind gusts in excess of 30 miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, the spring storm is significantly impacting municipalities and rural areas, creating shut-down of some transportation routes, causing inability of local emergency services to respond to calls for assistance in some areas; and

WHEREAS, this storm is causing widespread damages to electrical, cable and telephone infrastructure, causing outages across the state impacting citizens ability to heat homes, which will continue to impact local and regional areas, cities and rural populations throughout the state until all areas damaged by the storm can be repaired; and

WHEREAS, the extended periods of power outage are causing undue hardship for the individuals, families and livestock, requiring use of alternate sources of power and heat, relocation to shelters or with family and friends to retain a level of comfort and safety; and

NOW; THEREFORE, I order total utilization of the North Dakota State Emergency Operations Plan, its procedures, attachments and appendices, to respond to the situation, assist local and tribal officials, alleviate hardships, and implement appropriate recovery actions and future mitigation measures to limit the hardships and impacts of this disaster, and facilitate restoration of services and infrastructure.

I further make available all state assets and North Dakota National Guard assets upon request through the Department of Emergency Service because response timelines require response.

This order is issued upon the following bases and for the following reasons:

1. The Governor is vested with the executive authority pursuant to Article V, Section 1, of the North Dakota Constitution.

2. The Governor is vested with statutory authority to issue executive orders to minimize or avert the effects of a disaster or emergency pursuant to Chapter 37-17.1 of the North Dakota Century Code.
3. A coordinated and effective effort of all state departments is required to minimize the impact of disasters and emergencies in this state.

Executed at Bismarck, North Dakota, this 2nd day of April, 2010.



John Hoeven
Governor

Attest:



Secretary of State

Deputy